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FEDERAL COURT NAMES NEW MAGISTRATE JUDGES

Chief Judge Gerald E. Rosen announced today that the Court has selected Anthony P. Patti and Elizabeth A. Stafford for appointment as United States Magistrate Judges for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Mr. Patti is a resident of Ann Arbor. He obtained his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan and his Juris Doctor from the University of Notre Dame. He is currently a partner at the law firm of Hooper, Hathaway, Price, Beuche & Wallace, P.C. in Ann Arbor.

Ms. Stafford is a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms. She obtained her undergraduate degree from Michigan State University and her Juris Doctor from Wayne State University Law School. She is currently an Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan in Detroit.

Mr. Patti and Ms. Stafford were selected by the Court from a list of ten persons recommended by a Court-appointed Merit Selection Panel from among 50 applicants. The Panel members included Attorneys Kathleen L. Bogas, David F. DuMouchel, Pamela R. Harwood, Michael K. Lee (Vice-Chair), Daniel L. Lemisch, Todd R. Mendel, Clarence L. Pozza, Jr. (Chair), Antoinette R. Raheem, John R. Runyan, Jr. and Leroy Soles, as well as non-Attorneys Mariam Noland, Osama Siblani and Dr. Lorna Thomas.

Mr. Patti and Ms. Stafford's names will be forwarded to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts in Washington, D.C. which will initiate the required background investigations by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Internal Revenue Service. Upon the successful completion of those investigations, they will be sworn in as Magistrate Judges, and it is anticipated they will sit in Detroit where they would fill the magistrate judge vacancy created by the elevations of District Judge Laurie J. Michelson and Bankruptcy Judge Mark A. Randon.